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PATENT

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In re Patent Application of  
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For: SWEET STABLE ACIDIFIED BEVERAGES

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Charlotte, North Carolina  
August 26, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 26 FEBRUARY 2003, applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Request for Continued Examination to be charged to Deposit Account 50-2193 has been simultaneously filed herewith. Please charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account 50-2193.

Kindly amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.